| S.No. | States/UTs | Utilisable Irrigation Potential for Development through ground water (m.ha) |
|---|---|---|
| 19. | Punjab | 2.91715 |
| 20. | Rajasthan | 1.77783 |
| 21. | Sikkim | |
| 22. | Tamil Nadu | 2.83205 |
| 23. | Tripura | 0.08056 |
| 24. | Uttar Pradesh | 16.7989 |
| 25. | West Bengal | 3.31794 |
| | TOTAL STATES | 64.04513 |
| | *Union Territories* | |
| 1. | Andaman & Nicobar | |
| 2. | Chandigarh | |
| 3. | Dadar & N. Haveli | 0.00504 |
| 4. | Daman & Diu | |
| 5. | NCT Delhi | |
| 6. | Lakshadweep | |
| 7. | Pondicherry | 0.00504 |
| | TOTAL UTS | 64.05017 |
| | GRAND TOTAL | |

**Clearance of Bakrol Project**

2591. SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Bakrol Project is awaiting technical clearance from Government.

(b) if so, the details thereof and reasons for delay;

(c) whether Government are seriously considering for issue of TAC to the Government of Gujarat; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Bakrol Irrigation Project with estimated cost of Rs. 23.86 crores, envisages annual irrigation of 4500 hactares in Sabarkantha District of Gujarat. The Project is awaiting clearance due to non compliance of the observations of Central Water Commission by the state Government.

(c) Yes Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

**Damages caused by Loktak Lake**

2592. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Loktak lake in Manipur is silted and damage the surrounding areas espe cially the cultivated areas and the Central Hydroelectric Power Project; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Govern ment to save the damage being done by the Loktak lake in Manipur?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) Yes, Sir. However, power generation from the project has not been affected.

(b) The Government of Manipur have constituted Loktak Development Au-throity (LDA) in 1986 to undertake Improvement of Loktak lake. Water & Power Consultancy Services (India) Limited (WAPCOS), New Delhi was associated for formultaing plan for lake development. The Ministry of Environment & Forests have constituted a Multi-disciplinary High Level Technical Advisory Committee in 1994 to identify the problems of lake in detail and to suggest immediate and long-term measures for effective improvement. Further, LDA and Wetlands International, South-Asia have jointly formulated a project proposal under India-Canada Environment Facility (ICEF) in June, 1997 for improving water Management of the Loktak lake and for sustaining its resources for the benefit of the local communities on long term basis.